



2018-2019 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION

Thank you for your commitment to Boca Christian as we work together to encourage students to know, love and serve Jesus Christ. This letter contains information regarding the school's financial assistance program through FACTS and Step Up for Students, a program available from the State of Florida. After reading, please call us if you have any questions. The first step is to complete reenrollment/enrollment through ParentsWeb. You will be asked to select a payment plan through FACTS. There is a financial assistance program for Boca Christian through FACTS. However, you first need to see if you qualify for Step Up. Therefore, if you are applying for Step Up, it is recommended that you FIRST complete the Step Up application.

Step Up for Students

1. **STATE OF FLORIDA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE for GRADES K5-12th - "Step Up for Students" (SUFS) (www.stepupforstudents.org)**. The SUFS scholarship is available from the State of Florida under the Corporation Tax Credit (CTC) Scholarship Program. It is completely income-based. For 2018-2019, the Step-Up award is \$6,519 for K5-5th grade, \$6,815 for 6-8th grade, and \$7,111 for 9-12th grade for qualifying families. See the back of this document for the eligibility guidelines. Partial scholarships for renewal applicants may be available. At the site, www.stepupforstudents.org, there are several ways to select the income based scholarship (Apply/Login, For Parents, Apply for a Scholarship) then "Income Based Scholarship(FTC)". If you have any questions, call StepUp at 877-735-7837. **Please note: FULL tuition payments are due until any scholarships are awarded.**
2. **RENEWAL applications for PREVIOUS Step Up For Students recipients are NOW OPEN. *In order to receive priority, your application must be received by December 31, 2017.***
3. **After December 31st, 2018, NEW families may apply. Please note that SUFS funds then are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis for NEW and RENEWAL families.** Be sure to fill out the "apply now" section that applies to you. Funding of SUFS is completely independent of Boca Christian. Grants from SUFS will be taken into consideration in determining any additional BRCS financial aid that may be awarded. Upon renewal or acceptance bring your Step Up letter immediately (approval or non-approval) to the BRCS Business Office.

Financial Assistance Program – Boca Raton Christian School K5-12th

After reenrollment/enrollment through ParentsWeb, parents can apply for BRCS financial assistance through their ParentsWeb account. Click the FACTS tab, then Apply for Grant and Aid. Be sure you have applied for the Step Up For Students Scholarship first.

1. **KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS** with a Step Up for Students certificate or a McKay scholarship are **NOT eligible** for financial aid. Students without either of the above may apply for financial aid.
2. **1st - 12th GRADE RETURNING BRCS FAMILIES** with Step Up and also applying for financial aid must meet the following guidelines and **deadline of April 15th, 2018**.
 - Students must be reenrolled with BRCS.
 - BRCS must receive Step Up renewal letter or evidence that they are "on hold" for a specific reason.
 - BRCS financial aid application must be completed in full and received in FACTS Grant and Aid, including tax returns of both parents (if applicable or filed separately). If the financial aid application is still in the FACTS verification process, it must be verified by FACTS by April 30th, 2018.
 - A \$350 administrative fee will be charged per student to any family who does not complete the above process by April 30th, 2018. This fee will be deducted from the financial aid grant, if awarded.

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3. **NEW FAMILIES Enrolling with Step Up and Requesting Financial Aid.** ONCE ACCEPTED to BRCS, the application for BRCS financial aid through FACTS must be completed within TWO WEEKS (or by April 15th if accepted prior to that date). Your Step Up application must be in process when you apply for BRCS financial aid through FACTS. You do not have to have your Step Up award letter before applying for BRCS financial aid. The assumed Step Up award will be deducted from tuition before considering the financial aid award. (See information above.) New families enrolling after August 1st who apply for both Step Up and financial aid will be charged a \$350 administrative fee, which will be deducted from the financial aid grant, if awarded.

How to qualify for a Step Up K5-12th Grade 2018-19 Scholarship

Is your household income* at or below these levels? If so, visit www.stepupforstudents.org for current eligibility requirements.

- A child entering kindergarten must be 5 on or before Sept. 1.
- A child entering 1st grade must be 6 on or before Sept. 1.
- Previous Florida public school enrollment is no longer required for any grade (K5-12).

Number of people in household	Total Gross Monthly Household Income* (2018-19)
2	\$2,744
3	\$3,464
4	\$4,184
5	\$4,904

*Add \$720 for each additional member.

STEP UP Scholarship 2018-19 (K5-12th grade) ASISTENCIA FINANCIERA DEL ESTADO DE LA FLORIDA para Grados K5-12^o “Step Up for Students” (SUFS) (www.stepupforstudents.org).

La Asistencia Financiera SUFS está disponible para el Estado de la Florida bajo la Corporación de Crédito de Impuestos (CTC) del programa de becas. La elegibilidad de este programa está basada únicamente en los ingresos. Para 2018-19 la asistencia financiera fue de \$6,519 para los grados K5-5th, \$6,815 para los grados 6-8th, y \$7,111 para los grados 9-12th para las familias que calificaron. Las becas están disponibles para los aplicantes que están renovando. En la página www.stepupforstudents.org haga clic y aplique por la beca, y luego aplique por la beca basada en el ingreso FTC. Si tiene alguna pregunta llame al **877-735-7837** para obtener información. Los pagos completos de la matricula deben pagarse hasta que se otorguen las becas.

Como Calificar Para Una Beca

¿Su ingreso familiar* está por debajo de estos niveles?

- Un niño que ingresa a kindergarten debe tener 5 años para el 1 de septiembre.
- Un niño que ingresa a 1^o grado debe tener 6 años para el 1 de septiembre.
- Matriculación del año anterior en una escuela pública de la Florida ya no es necesario para cualquier grado (K5-12th).
Sume \$720 por cada miembro adicional.

Número de personas en la familia	Ingreso mensual bruto total de la familia
2	\$2,744
3	\$3,464
4	\$4,184
5	\$4,904

Llame a Boca Raton Christian School al numero 561.391.2727 para mas detalles. 315 N. W. 4th Street, Boca Raton, FL 33432